

DIGITAL PRIDE GUIDE



**SOUTHAMPTON
PRIDE**

10 YEARS





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**SOUTHAMPTON
PRIDE
10 YEARS**

WELCOME

Welcome to the 10th Anniversary of Southampton Pride!

This year is particularly special as we celebrate a decade of bringing our community together to celebrate, remember, campaign and create a city where everyone can be proud of who they are.

To everyone who has been part of our journey, our partners, sponsors, venues, volunteers, performers, suppliers, community groups and every single person who has joined us over the last decade, thank you. Your passion, commitment and belief in our vision have made this milestone possible.

As we celebrate our 10th Anniversary, we're also looking ahead with excitement. In 2027, Southampton will proudly host UK Pride, welcoming thousands of visitors from across the country to our city.

For now, though, this weekend is about celebrating all of you. Whether this is your very first Pride or your tenth, we hope you enjoy every moment and most importantly, be unapologetically yourself.



Julianne Watling-McCarthy
CEO, Southampton Pride Trust





10 YEARS OF **SOUTHAMPTON PRIDE**

Ten years. Ten years of colour filling Guildhall Square. Ten years of voices echoing through Southampton's streets. Ten years of moments that have made people laugh, cry, dance, march, celebrate and, perhaps most importantly, feel like they belong.

As Southampton Pride celebrates its tenth anniversary, we're incredibly proud of how far we've come. What began in 2016 as the return of Pride to Southampton after more than twenty years has become one of the South Coast's biggest celebrations of LGBTQ+ life, welcoming tens of thousands of people each year to stand together in solidarity, celebration and hope.

But Pride has never been about the size of the crowd. It's about the people within it. Every person who has nervously attended their first Pride. Every family who has marched beside their loved ones. Every volunteer who has given up their weekends. Every performer who has brought our stages to life. Every community group, sponsor, partner and supporter who has helped build something bigger than any one individual could achieve. You are Southampton Pride.

Over the last decade we've watched our city change. We've seen more businesses, schools, charities and organisations proudly stand beside our community. We've celebrated milestones, challenged prejudice, created safe spaces and given countless people the confidence to be unapologetically themselves. Yet our work is far from over.

Across the UK and around the world, LGBTQ+ people continue to face discrimination, hate and attempts to turn back the clock on equality. Rights that many once believed were secure are once again being debated, challenged and threatened. That's why Pride still matters. It's why we march. It's why we celebrate. It's why we continue to create spaces where every person can feel seen, valued and respected. Because Pride has always been far more than a festival. It is visibility. It is community. It is resilience. It is joy in the face of adversity. It is a reminder that progress happens because people choose to stand together.

As we celebrate ten incredible years, we're also looking ahead to an exciting future. Next year, Southampton will proudly welcome LGBTQ+ communities from across the country as we host UK Pride 2027, a huge honour for our city and a testament to everything this community has built together over the last decade. But before we look to tomorrow, we're taking a moment to celebrate today.

Celebrate the volunteers who made it happen, the performers who've graced our stages, the organisations who have stood alongside us, the thousands upon thousands of people who have marched beside us, danced with us, laughed with us and believed in what Southampton Pride represents. Most of all, celebrate yourself.

Whether this is your tenth Southampton Pride or your very first, thank you for being here. Thank you for believing in a city where everyone deserves to feel safe, welcome and proud of who they are. This story has never belonged to a committee, to a stage or to a logo. It belongs to every single one of you.

Here's to ten years of Southampton Pride and here's to everything still to come.

Happy Pride. Happy 10th Birthday, Southampton Pride.



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Image: Asten Holmes-Elliott with Breakout Youth: YOU BELONG HERE (2017–2018). Neon sign, John Hansard Gallery. Courtesy of the artist.

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Southampton Pride is FREE for everyone, but it isn't free to run. Last year's event cost

£196,000

Every stage, every march, every rainbow moment is only possible thanks to your support.

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Text	SOPRIDE to 70293	to donate £30
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#SOPROUD MARCH

Pride has always been more than a celebration. It is a visible act of solidarity, remembrance and protest.

Our Pride March honours the generations of LGBTQ+ people who fought for the rights and freedoms many of us enjoy today, from the Stonewall Riots to the countless activists who have challenged discrimination, prejudice and inequality across the world. Their courage paved the way, but the journey towards true equality is far from over.

Every step we take through the streets of Southampton is both a celebration of who we are and a reminder of why Pride still matters. While we celebrate our diverse community, we also stand together against hate, discrimination and injustice wherever they exist.

The march creates a powerful, welcoming space where everyone can be their authentic selves without fear. It brings together people from every background in a shared message of visibility, acceptance and hope, while helping to educate, inspire and encourage positive change.

Whether you're marching for yourself, for someone you love, or in support of equality for all, thank you for standing with us.

Pride is a celebration. Pride is a protest. Pride is a promise that we will keep moving forward, together.





Guildhall Square

End of March

#SOPROUD MARCH

The March route will depart from Queens Park at 11am onto Briton Street.

Turning right up the High Street, it will continue through the Bargate before pausing for photos.

Will then make its way up Above Bar Street before splitting in two at Civic Centre Road.

The March will then enter Guildhall Square at approx 12pm via the Main Entrance on Above Bar Street and the Civic Centre Car Park entrance.

High Street

Above Bar Street

Civic Centre Road

Palmerston Park

Houndwell Park

East Street

Bernard Street

Briton Street

Start of March

Queens Park

MARKET HALL

open till 6pm

- 
- Abri
B United
Beyond Reflections
BH Live Active
Brick and Stitch
Centre Point
Charity Link (Breast Cancer Now)
Clay Curiosities
DnD Emporium
Embellished Arts
Emil's Doodles
Face 2 Face (RNLI)
For Keeps
Glittering the South
GO! Southampton
H.R.M
Identity+ Aesthetics
John Hansard Gallery
Juice Box Frogs
Kay C Arts
Lush
Maggies
NHS Sexual Health
Okupoku
Penguins with Scarves
Penrose Place
Pride in Maritime
Rebellious Souls
Sara's Threads
Savills
Shinier Things
Southampton City Council Fostering
Solutions for Health
South Western Railway
Southwest LGBT
Stop Domestic Abuse
TFP Fertility
Toob
Tsuki Blade
University Hospital Southampton NHS
Foundation Trust
University of Southampton
Violet Marshmallows
Winchester School of Art
Wyrms Emporium
Yellow Door
Zooniverse Designs

List accurate at time of printing, further additions or changes
may have been added or removed since.

and don't forget....

CIVIC CENTRE CAR PARK

Game Bustas gaming bus
Climbing Wall



Both activities are free with a suggested donation of £4

WEST MARLANDS RD

Facepainting
Wessex Wyverns

INSIDE THE GUILDHALL



Across the site
Wessex Wyverns

Face Painting
Hampshire Constabulary
Jack & Jake's Pride Shop
Junk Nation
Smoking Barrels/ Med Bar

Food & Drink
Asian Indulgences

Burgers
Churros
Crepes
Doughnuts
German Sausage
Ice Creams
Kottu n Curry
Loaded Fries
Slushies
Pride Square Bar
The Painted Wagon Bar

NEW FOR 2026 INSIDE THE STAGE DOOR

Trans+ Zone

Bands, Stalls, Open Mic, Discussions, Information
& lots more!

SATURDAY SLAYS

BIG ENERGY. BIG MAIN CHARACTER VIBES.

ADAM
RENZ

JODIE GRIFFIN

DJ CLARE
FULLER

ACE

AMBER ARMSTRONG

AMRICK
CHANNA

BENJI JAMES

CLARE
DELOON

DAWN

AURA
JAY

KERRY
KATONA

KERRY-OKE!

BOOTY LUV

LOLLY



12PM-2PM

ADAM RENZ

ANN SOPHIE - MOULIN ROUGE: THE MUSICAL

HEADLINERS & ROYAL COURT THEATRE COMPANY

METHOD DANCE COMPANY

2PM - 5PM

ACE

BENJI JAMES

MATT TERRY & THIS ONES FOR YOU

CLARE DELOON

JODIE GRIFFIN

5PM - 7PM

AMBER ARMSTRONG

DJ CLAIRE FULLER

AMRICK CHANNA

LOLLY

7PM - 10PM

DAWN THE DRAG QUEEN

KERRY KATONA WITH KERRY-OKE

AURA JAY

BOOTY LUV



SUNDAY SERVES



TRIBUTES, DRAG ROYALTY & ICONIC ENERGY

ESSENTIALLY
CHER

ETERNALLY
ARIANA

AARON GABRIEL
AS ELVIS

DOING
ELTON

P!NK-ISH

CELINE BY
JANUARY BUTLER

VICKI
VIVACIOUS

CHAPPELL
ROAN UK

SMALLTOWN
BOY



1PM - 4PM

DJ HUTCH

LAURA KING IS MADONNA

THE OLIVIA DEAN EXPERIENCE

SAM BAILEY

AARON GABRIEL AS ELVIS

DAWN THE DRAG QUEEN

SMALLTOWN BOY

4PM - 6PM

VICKI VIVACIOUS

DOING ELTON

CLARE DELOON

CELINE BY JANUARY BUTLER

6PM - 9PM

ETERNALLY ARIANA

AURA JAY

CHAPPELL ROAN UK

ESSENTIALLY CHER

P!NK-ISH

+ SPECIAL GUESTS



6PM-6AM

**THE
OFFICIAL
AFTER PARTY**

SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST

LIVE GO-GO DANCERS

DJS

CONFETTI

BBQ

4 BARS



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COMMUNITY STAGE

NEU COMMUNITY STAGE SATURDAY

HOSTED BY ADAM RENZ

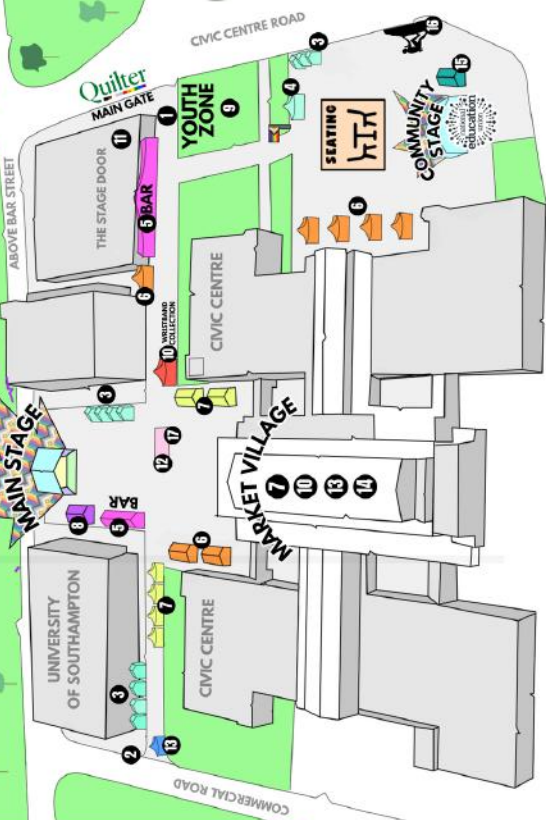
12:00	ADAM RENZ	12:20	HAUS OF GLITCH
1:25	JORDAN RUSSELL	1:45	AMBER ARMSTRONG
2:15	JODIE GRIFFIN	2:41	EN MASSE POP CHOIR
3:45	AYALLAH PFAFF	4:05	SOLENT GAY MENS CHORUS
4:50	ADAM RENZ	5:10	UKULELE JAM
5:50	CLARE DELOON	6:20 TILL CLOSE	MORE TBC PLUS DJS

NEU COMMUNITY STAGE SUNDAY

HOSTED BY OWEN DENNIS

12:00	OWEN DENNIS		1:00	JODIE & CHARLOTTE		
1:30	SMS	1:55	FREYA GOLDING		2:25	OWEN DENNIS
2:48	RYN	3:20	JOHN MCCURRY			
3:40	TRANS LUNAR INJECTION			4:00	BODY ROK	
5:00	YOUTH ZONE GUEST			5:30	TOBY WALKER	
5:50	OWEN DENNIS	6:10	SPOT ON PRODUCTIONS			
6:30 TILL CLOSE		VARIOUS DJS				

1. Quilter Main Gate
2. Accessible Entrance
3. Toilets
4. Mobiloo
5. Bar
6. Food
7. Trade Stands
8. Pride+
9. Youth Zone / Lost Children
10. Merchandise
11. Trans + Zone
12. Viewing Platform
13. First Aid
14. Sensory / Calm Space
15. Mobile Gaming Bus
16. Rock Climbing Wall
17. Accessibility Tent



**SOUTHAMPTON
PRIDE** 

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REMAINING!**



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CIVIC CENTRE
CAR PARK**



**GAMING BUS &
CLIMBING WALL IN
THE CAR PARK**



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**YOUTH
OUTREACH**



**NO
LIMITS**



SEND ACTIVITIES



**DRAG QUEEN
STORY HOUR UK**



**Centrestage Productions
YOUTH THEATRE**



YOUTH ZONE STAGE SATURDAY

12:10	EVER AFTER PRINCESS PARTIES		
12:35	LIGHT UP DRAMA	1:10	JIGGY WRIGGLERS
1:35	SUPERSTARS PERFORMING ARTS		
2:10	EVER AFTER PRINCESS PARTIES		
2:35	KIRI GOLDING THEATRE ARTS	3:00	DANCEWISE STUDIOS
3:35	JIGGY WRIGGLERS	4:00	SWOOVE WITH CAT
4:00	KIRI GOLDING THEATRE ARTS & EVER AFTER PRINCESS PARTIES		

YOUTH ZONE STAGE SUNDAY

12:10	SWOOVE	12:30	EVER AFTER PRINCESS PARTIES	
1:00	DRAG QUEEN STORY HOUR UK		1:35	JIGGY WRIGGLERS
2:05	KIRI GOLDING THEATRE ARTS			
2:35	DRAG QUEEN STORY HOUR UK		3:10	JIGGY WRIGGLERS
3:35	KIRI GOLDING THEATRE ARTS			
4:05	EVER AFTER PRINCESS PARTIES			
4:35	DRAG QUEEN STORY HOUR UK			
5:00	CENTRESTAGE PRODUCTIONS			





ACCESSIBILITY



Civic Centre Car Park / Community Village

Ramps will lead you into the Civic Centre Car Park. Some paved areas may have uneven slabs or small bumps.

Market Village

Located at the Guildhall with an accessible ramped entrance to the right of the main entrance.

Viewing Platform

This can be accessed within the main Pride Square to anyone who needs to use it. If you are using the platform, please be courteous to others who may be using it. Space is limited please only use this space if you require it.

BSL Interpretation

BSL interpreters will be on the Main Stage throughout the Pride weekend. Due to availability, there is no coverage on the Community Stage this year. We apologise for an inconvenience this causes.

Changing Places & Accessible Toilets

Throughout the Pride site we have a number of Accessible Toilets, including inside the Guildhall and a Mobiloo located in the Civic Centre Car Park.

Pride Hidden disabilities lanyards, badges and wristbands available to purchase.

ACCESSIBILITY

Sensory/Calm Space

This is located in the Guildhall building at the rear-right of the main hall space - visit the Accessibility Stall for directions.

Limited ear defenders and sensory items are available at the Accessibility Stall found in Guildhall Square.

Nearby Quiet Area

Watts Park, opposite the Accessible Entrance, offers seating and shaded areas. Re-entry to Pride Village is allowed throughout the day. Meeple Play Cafe board games in right-hand bar inside the o2 Guildhall.

Medical/Welfare Support

Our First Aid and Medical Support team operates a medical/welfare tent in the Civic Centre Car Park.

Assistance Dogs & Pets

All dogs must be kept on a lead. Owners are asked clean up after them and bring food/water bowls. Note: Shade is limited, and the site can be hot and crowded, so please ensure animals' safety and comfort.

Braille Maps

A limited amount of Braille Maps are available for those that need them. Please visit the accessibility stall in Guildhall Square.

Dyslexia overlays for reading materials at the accessibility stand.

BURLESQUE & CABARET

ACTS TO BE ANNOUNCED



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Trans+ Visibility Artwork

Launched on Transgender Day of Visibility 2026, the Trans+ Visibility Open Call invited UK-based artists, designers and illustrators to create artworks exploring trans+ pride and gender diversity. Presented by Southampton Pride, in partnership with John Hansard Gallery, Trans Pride Southampton, GO! Southampton, City Eye, Breakout Youth and Beyond Reflections, the five shortlisted artworks were displayed in Guildhall Square during Southampton Summer Sessions this June. Net Ember's work was selected by public vote for a new commission: a vinyl artwork over 10 metres high, created through an open call for contributions from transmasculine people across the UK, on display on the windows of John Hansard Gallery and City Eye from August 2026.

Winning Entry

For the first time, over 75 trans+ people from across the UK have come together to share meaningful images of their lives, culminating in a public artwork that celebrates transmasculinity.

SOFT/STRONG highlights personal, queer and redefined notions of masculinity, shaped through the trans+ experience.

Photographs, pets, screenshots, meaningful objects and tattoos merge into an abstract ode to the shifting and uncategorisable nature of transness. Informed by over 250 submitted images, SOFT/STRONG makes both the shared and unique experiences of masculinity within transness visible, inviting reflection on what and who remains unseen in public and political discourse.



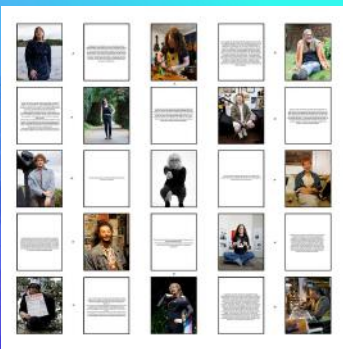
SOFT/STRONG
Net Ember

THE OTHER SHORTLISTED ENTRIES



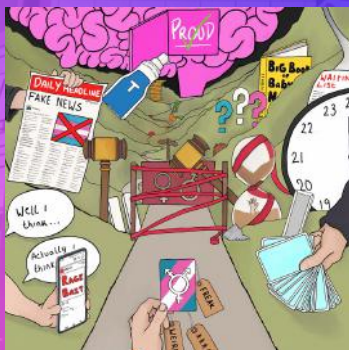
PROTECT TRANS JOY

Ozzy Crawley



THE TENDERNESS OF BEING

Kristianne Drake



IT IS WHAT IT IS

Liam Leverett



FAITH OR FEAR

Nyklaus Thorn

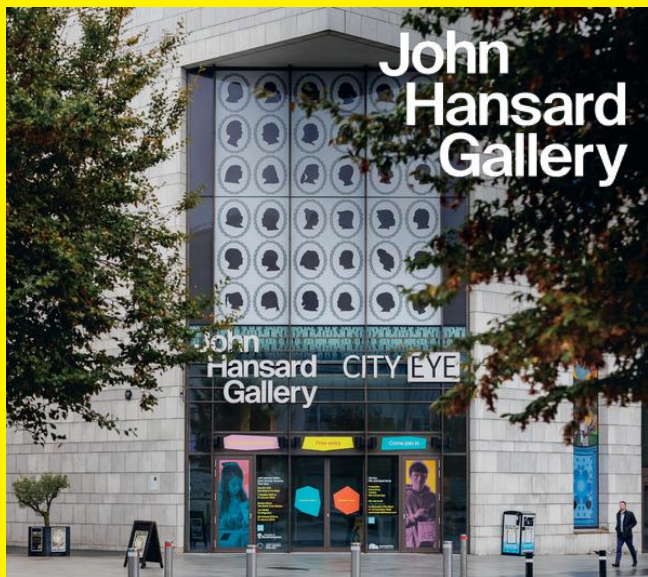


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THE PRIDE TEAM

The Southampton Pride Event Team volunteer all year-round to deliver the best possible Pride event for the LGBTQIA+ community in Southampton.



VOLUNTEERING

The volunteers at Southampton Pride work tirelessly to help deliver an incredible weekend for everyone. Each one gives up their time to support the community and ensure the event runs smoothly from start to finish. They are a deeply valued part of the team, and their dedication, energy, and passion are what make Southampton Pride truly special.

To join our volunteer family please email:

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